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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

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Entitled: **USB HUB WITH SOFT SELECT PORTS**

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- 1. Specification, claims and abstract of the above-referenced patent application having 20 pages.
- 2. 6 sheet(s) of drawing(s) (Y formal        informal) comprising Figures 1 through 6.
- 3A. Declaration (X signed        unsigned).
- 3B. Power of Attorney (X signed        unsigned).
- 3C. No filing fee, Oath, or Declaration is enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R 1.53(d).
- 4. Information Disclosure Statement along with Form PTO-1449 and references.

5. This is a:  Continuation-In-Part;  Divisional;  Continuation;  substitute Application (MPEP 201.09) of Application Serial No.  filed  ;  reissue of U.S. Patent No.  filed on  ;  Original;  Provisional.

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(a)  is concurrently being filed in that prior Application,

(b)  was previously filed in that prior Application,

(c)  is not necessary for copendency.

6. Attached is an assignment to **Gateway, Inc.** Please return the recorded assignment to the undersigned.

7. Priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120, based on Application number 09/752,322 filed on December 29, 2000

8. Attached:  (No.) verified statement(s) establishing "small entity" status under 37 CFR § 1.9 and 1.27.

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10. Preliminary Amendment:

Prior to a first Office Action, kindly amend the Application as follows:

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Respectfully submitted,  
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